

## REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 4-15 and 17-38 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 2, 4, 13-15, 17, 26-29, 32, and 34-38 have been rejected. Claim rejections have been reversed against claims 5, 18 and 30, as well as 6-12, 19-25 and 31. Claims 2, 5, 15, 18, 26, 28, 30, 32, 36 have been amended. Claims 1, 3, 4, 14, 16-17, 27, 29 have been cancelled. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, claims 2, 5-13, 15, 18-26, 28, 30-38 remain pending in the present application.

The Examiner states:

The Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences affirmed the rejections against independent claim 1 and 33 and those of claims 2, 4, 15-15, 17, 26-29, 32 and 34-38, but reversed all rejections against claims 5, 18 and 30 and those of claims 6-12, 19-25 and 31, which dependent thereupon. There are no allowed claims in the application. The independent claim(s) is/are cancelled by the examiner in accordance with MPEP § 1214.06. Applicant is given a ONE MONTH TIME PERIOD from the mailing date of this letter in which to present the dependent claim(s) in independent form to avoid ABANDONMENT of the application. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR. 1.126(a) WILL BE GRANTED. Prosecution is otherwise closed.

## CONCLUSION

Claims 5, 18 and 30 have been rewritten in independent form. Therefore Applicant respectfully submits that claims 5, 18 and 30 are now in allowable form. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of claims 5, 18 and 30 as now presented. Claims 2, 6-13, 15, 19-26, 28 and 31-38 are dependent upon allowable base claims. Accordingly, they are allowable based upon that dependency as well as being allowable on their own merits.

Applicants' attorney believes this application is now in condition for allowance. Should any unresolved issues remain, Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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